

**D.T.E. 03-121**  
**Attachment DTE-5-3**

**SHORT-RUN QUALIFYING FACILITY POWER PURCHASE RATE**

**RATE QF  
(Closed)**

**AVAILABILITY**

This rate is available to a qualifying small power producer or cogeneration facility (the Seller") who has an electric service agreement which was executed prior to August 1, 2000. This rate is for the purchase of electricity by the Company from the Seller in accordance the Code of Massachusetts Regulations, 220 C.M.R. § 8.00 et seq. The Company's obligation to purchase electricity under this rate is preconditioned upon compliance with the requirements applicable to qualifying small power producers or cogenerators contained in the following Company publications: Information and Requirements for Electric Service; Guidelines - Parallel Operation of Customer Generation; and Interconnection Guidelines.

**POWER PURCHASE RATE**

**(a) Energy Purchase Rate**

In accordance with 220 CMR 8.04, the Company will pay for energy furnished to it under the terms of this rate schedule at a price, separately applied to each rating period defined below, as follows:

<u>Voltage Level</u>	<u>Period</u>			
	<u>Peak</u>	<u>Off-Peak</u>	<u>Total</u>	
115 Kv	0.03083	0.02180	0.02521	\$/Kwh
14 Kv	0.03136	0.02213	0.02561	\$/Kwh
4Kv	0.03156	0.02225	0.02575	\$/Kwh
Secondary	0.03219	0.02265	0.02624	\$/Kwh

**(b) Short-Run Capacity Rate**

In accordance with 220 CMR 8.04, the short-run capacity rate shall be zero (0).

- (c)** A Customer operating small-power production or cogeneration equipment with a design capacity of 30 kilowatts or less may elect to sell separately metered electricity to the Company on a non-time-differentiated rate basis. The non-time-differentiated rate is the Company's energy rate calculated for the total period.

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**POWER PURCHASE RATE (continued)**

- (d) A Customer operating small power production or cogeneration equipment with a design capacity of 30 kilowatts or less may also elect, where no separate metering is installed, to allow the Company's usual metering equipment to run backwards and to reduce the recorded amount of electricity sold to the Customer. The Customer will receive an energy payment, but not a capacity payment, at the current short-run energy rate for the net energy, if any, delivered to the Company measured by the reduction in the meter reading below the reading of the previous month. In no event, however, shall the Customer's monthly bill without this credit be less than the minimum charge as stated in the Company's generally available rate schedule applicable to the service supplied to the Customer.
- (e) The purchase option selected by a Customer under this section may not be changed more frequently than once in any twelve month period.

**RATINGS PERIODS**

There shall be two rating periods for purposes of computing the Energy Purchase Rate.

- (1) During the months of June through September, the peak demand shall be the hours between 9 A.M. and 6 P.M. weekdays. During the months of October through May, the peak period shall be the hours between 8 A.M. and 9 P.M. weekdays
- (2) All other hours shall be off-peak including twelve Massachusetts holidays as follows:

New Year's Day  
Martin L. King Day  
President's Day  
Patriot's Day  
Memorial Day  
Independence Day

Labor Day  
Columbus Day  
Veteran's Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Day after Thanksgiving  
Christmas Day

**INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS**

- (a) Within 45 days of a request by a qualifying facility according to the requirements of the Company's Interconnection Guidelines, the Company will conduct an initial site inspection and will provide a written estimate of the connection cost and specifications.

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- (b) The Customer shall install interconnection equipment conforming with the standards filed at the DTE and with the specific requirements of the Company based on its site inspection and engineering studies.
- (c) The Customer shall reimburse the Company for all incremental costs associated with the interconnection of its facilities to accommodate purchases under this rate including any required metering equipment. At the Customer's option, all costs may be amortized over a period not in excess of 36 months. If the charges are amortized, the qualifying facility will pay a monthly charge, approved by the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("M.D.T.E."), designed to recover the interconnection costs plus interest computed at the Company's average weighted cost of capital.
- (d) The Customer shall maintain such operating records as the Company may require from time to time and shall allow the Company at its request to inspect such records or the installation and operation of the generating equipment and the interconnection.
- (e) The Customer shall defend, indemnify and hold the Company harmless from and against all claims or damage to the Customer's equipment or damage or injury to any person or property arising out of the Customer's use of generating equipment in parallel with the Company's system; provided that nothing in this paragraph shall relieve the Company from liability for damage or injury caused by its own willful default or negligence.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The schedule of Terms and Conditions, as in effect from time to time, shall apply to service under this rate to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the specific provisions of this rate.

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